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Dear Committee Members:

On behalf of Michigan NRA members, I would respectfully ask you to support Senate Bill 1402, which would make gun safety programs available to school districts for inclusion in curriculums in Michigan.

The National Rifle Association, as the leading gun safety instruction group in the United States, strongly advocates for youth safety through our renowned Eddie Eagle Program. Begun in 1988, the Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program has reached more than 21 million children in all 50 states.

As explained on our website: "The purpose of the Eddie Eagle Program isn't to teach whether guns are good or bad, but rather to promote the protection and safety of children. The program makes no value judgments about firearms, and no firearms are ever used in the program. Like swimming pools, electrical outlets, matchbooks and household poison, they're treated simply as a fact of everyday life. With firearms found in about half of all American households, it's a stance that makes sense. Eddie Eagle is never shown touching a firearm, and he does not promote firearm ownership or use."

I would like to thank Senator John Gleason for bringing this bill to the committee today, and I urge you to support this important legislation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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